

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA

STAN DAVIS, and RICHARD
RAYES,

Plaintiffs,

v.

FRANK O. GUNTER, Director of the
Department of Correctional Services,
et al.,

Defendants.

4:88CV462

**MEMORANDUM
AND ORDER**

This matter is before the court on Plaintiff Richard Rayes’ (“Rayes”) Motion for Reimbursement. (Filing No. [40](#).) In his motion, Rayes requests that the court provide him “compensation for expenditures” he has incurred in this matter because he has been granted leave to proceed in forma pauperis. (*Id.*) The statutory right to proceed in forma pauperis does not include the right to receive funds from the court to pay for copies or other costs relating to a pro se litigant’s case. [28 U.S.C. § 1915](#); *see also Haymes v. Smith*, 73 F.R.D. 572, 574 (W.D.N.Y. 1976) (“The generally recognized rule is that a court may not authorize the commitment of federal funds to underwrite the necessary expenditures of an indigent civil litigant’s action.”) (citing *Tyler v. Lark*, 472 F.2d 1077 (8th Cir. 1973), other citations omitted). Thus, despite Rayes’ in forma pauperis status, the court cannot pay his litigation expenses and the motion is denied.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that: Plaintiff Richard Rayes' Motion for Reimbursement (filing no. [40](#)) is denied.

Dated March 28, 2011.

BY THE COURT

s/ Warren K. Urbom
United States Senior District Judge

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